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Family Records

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of some of the

Descendants of Robert Francis

See also

of

Wethersfield, Conn.

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The Francis Family.

THE family which is the subject of the following sketch, resided for six generations in Wethersfield, Connecticut, and Newington, which was once a part of the first-named town, and they were substantial, influential and well-to-do members of the community. In each generation they figured in the history of the town, both in church and civil affairs, as appears from the town records of Wethersfield and from the church records of both Wethersfield and Newington.

1. Robert¹ Francis, the pioneer of the line, is first mentioned upon the town records at the birth of his daughter, Susannah, in 1651. He is also mentioned among a list of settlers who came between 1640 and 1660, but quite a careful search has failed to discover from whence he came. The two following records concerning him are found in the Wethersfield Town Votes (pp. 39 and 50), 24 Feb., 1656:

"It was voted alsoe this day that Robert Francis shall have a peece of swamp, if that there be any found by the committee to be given him," and "March the last 1660 at a towne meting it was

voated and agreed to, that Rob't Francis (and certain others) should have thre acrs each of them, in the last furlong next Bever bruk."

In 1671-72 he was chosen "Fence Viewer," and in 1675 "Surveyor for highways." He was a member of Rev. Mr. Mix's congregation, and he died January 2, 1711, aged 83 (gravestone). His wife, Joan, died January 29, 1705, aged 76 (gravestone).

Their children were :

- I. Susannah b. Nov. 6, 1651, m. Apr. 15, 1671, John North.
- II. Robert, b. Nov. 6, 1653.
- III. Mary, b. 1656.
2. IV. John,² b. Sept. 4, 1658; m. Mercy Chittenden.
 - V. Abigail, b. Feb. 14, 1660.
 - VI. James, b. Mar. 1, 1662; d. Feb. 14, 1664.
 - VII. Sarah, b. Aug. 15, 1664; m. Feb. 26, 1691, Wm. Powell.
2. John² Francis (*Robert¹*) was born September 4, 1658, and died December 28, 1711. He was also chosen at different times, "Fence Viewer," Surveyor for Highways and Constable, and on Dec. 29, 1701, he was chosen one of the collectors "for to collect the share of the school rate wch is coming or due from the youths for their being taught or might have been taught ye year past." (Town Votes, pp. 184-220-227-236.) He married (1st) Sarah, who died Apr. 3, 1682, aged 24 (gravestone). He married (2d) July 16, 1683, Mercy Chittenden, who was born 1662 and died October 13, 1745.

Children of John and Mercy:

- I. John, b. Oct. 12, 1684, d. May 15, 1738.
- II. James, b. Oct. 13, 1685.
- III. Siberance, b. Aug. 23, 1687.
- IV. Mary, b. May 26, 1689.
3. V. Thomas,³ b. Feb. 4, 1690, m. Abigail Griswold.

- VI. Abigail, b. Mar. 8, 1695.
- VII. Robert, b. Jan'y 29, 1697.
- VIII. Joseph, b. Nov. 9, 1698.
- IX. Daniel, b. Sept. 18, 1700.
- X. Hannah, b. Feb. 5, 1703.
- XI. Sarah, b. Mar. 6, 1705.
- XII. Prudence, b. Jan'y 24, 1708.
- XIII. Mercy, b. Jan'y 24, 1710.

3. Thomas³ Francis (*John¹ Robert²*); born February 4, 1690. He removed to Newington, where he died April 26, 1774. He served several times upon church and school committees (*Annals of Newington*, pp. 40-41-47-48) and is spoken of as Serg't. Thomas Francis (*idem* p. 65). On July 4, 1762, he was admitted to full communion of the Congregational Church (*idem* p. 84). He married (1st) Mar. 9, 1718, Abigail, daughter of Jacob Griswold; m. (2d) Anne, who died February 8, 1752; m. (3d) Sarah Smith.

Children:

- I. Abigail, b. Dec. 7; 1718.
- 4 II. Josiah,⁴ b. Sept. 18, 1722.
- III. Samuel, b. Jan'y 22, 1725.
- IV. Lydia, b. June 12, 1729, m. Robert Sanford.
- V. Annie, b. Oct. 19, 1732, m. Samuel Steel.
- VI. Hezekiah, b. Mar. 11, 1738.
- VII. Mabel, b. Dec. 17, 1740, m. 1767 Uriah Goodwin.

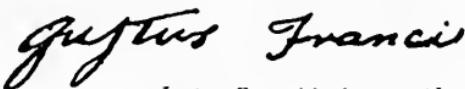
4. Josiah⁴ Francis (*Thomas¹ John² Robert³*) was born at Newington, September 18, 1722, and died there November 10, 1798 (gravestone).

He also served often upon school and church committees, and as collector for the ministers' or school rate, and on Nov. 9, 1780, he was chosen, with three others, "a committee to treat with Rev. Mr. Belden in relation to his salary." (*Records of Newington Ecclesiastical Society*, vol. i, p. 105). He married, February 26, 1746-7, Millicent, daughter of Nathan-

iel³ (Nathaniel² John¹) Stoddard and Sarah (Buck) Stoddard. Millicent died July 5, 1800, in the 72d year of her life (gravestone).

They had children :

- I. Elias, b. Apr. 20, 1747.
- 5 II. Justus,⁵ b. Nov. 1750.
- III. Lucina, b. Apr. 7, 1753, m. Elizur Deming.
- IV. James, b. Dec. 4, 1755.
- 6 V. Asa,⁵ b. Nov. 8, 1757.
- VI. Allen, b. Oct. 23, 1760.
- 7 VII. Roger,⁵ b. Apr. 29, 1763.
- VIII. Sarah, b. Apr. 6, 1769, m. Aaron Hunt.



Justus Francis' Autograph.

5. Justus⁵ Francis (*Josiah,⁴ Thomas,³ John,² Robert¹*) was born November 8, 1750, and died January 8, 1827 (gravestone). He was probably the most important and influential of the Connecticut members of this line. He was a soldier in the Revolutionary war (Bureau of Records and Pensions, Washington) serving as a private in Capt. Elijah Wright's company of Enos's regiment of Connecticut state troops, which arrived in camp June 29, 1778. He was also a lieutenant and a major in the Connecticut State Militia (6th Co., 6th Reg.) both of which commissions, signed by Samuel Huntington, governor of Connecticut, and dated May 22, 1790, and May 29, 1794, are in the possession of Mr. H. C. Francis, of Newington, who lives in the house built by Justus in 1770. One of the bricks of the chimney bears the date Sept. 1770. He was an active church member, and the records of the Newington Ecclesiastical Society show that he was many times chosen moderator of the meetings or to act on some committee formed to attend to the building of a new meeting house or to dispose of the old one and to arrange for securing a new pastor and many other like duties. He married (1st) May 6, 1773, Keturah

Andrus, who died Aug. 14, 1780, in the 28th year of her age (gravestone). He married (2d) July 3, 1783, Mary, daughter of Rev. Joshua Belden. She died March 5, 1785, in the 30th year of her age (gravestone). He married (3d) November 9, 1786, Lois, daughter of Hezekiah⁴ Andrus (*Daniel, Jr.,³ Daniel, Sr.,² John,¹ of Farmington*). Lois was born December 1, 1763, and died July 20, 1813 (gravestone). He married (4th) August 15, 1815, Ruth Barber, of Bloomfield. In the cemetery at Newington are headstones erected to the memory of Justus and to each of his first three wives.

His children were:

By first wife:

I. Appleton Andrus, b. Aug. 19, 1778, m. Charlotte Webster. Descendants in Kensington, Conn.

By second wife:

II. Keturah Andrus, b. Mar. 10, 1784, d. in infancy.

By third wife:

III. Harvey, b. Jan'y 27, 1789, d. Jan'y 2, 1869, m. Nov. 27, 1826, Abigail Kilbourne. She died Sept. 18, 1860.

8 IV. Anson,⁶ b. Nov. 4, 1790, d. Nov. 14, 1868, m. (1st) Almira Owen; m. (2d) 1822, Betsy Hatfield.

V. Newman, b. June 25, 1793, d. at West Swansey, N. H., Aug. 13, 1865, m. Feb. 15, 1834, Octavia Strickland, who was born Mar. 11, 1809, d. Jan'y 13, 1843. Children: I. Roselle Bunce, b. Oct. 9, 1836, m. Nov. 5, 1856, George O. Capron, resides (1900) at West Swansey, N. H. Four children. II. Martha Octavia, b. July 4, 1842, m. July 9, 1867, Henry H. Onthrup, resides (1900) at Middletown, Conn. Two children.

9 VI. Alfred,⁶ b. Nov. 2, 1795, d. 1851, m. 1818, Nancy Deming, who was b. 1798, d. 1842.

10 VII. Cyrus,⁶ b. Dec. 16, 1797, d. 1845, m. (1st) Sabra Blinn; m. (2d) Nancy Dorrance Pratt.

VIII. Laura, b. Jan'y 23, 1800, m. — Barber. Descendants in Bloomfield, Conn.

11 IX. Erastus,⁶ b. Nov. 16, 1802, d. —, m. (1st) July 17, 1825, Bertha B. Stoddard, b. July 17, 1808, d. Mar. 9, 1852. He m. (2d) Dec. 30, 1852, Cornelia Stoddard, b. Aug. 27, 1813, d. Dec., 1877.

X. Mary, b. June 28, 1808, m. — Butler. Descendants living in West Hartford, Conn.

6. Asa⁵ Francis (*Josiah*,⁴ *Thomas*,³ *John*,² *Robert*¹) was born November 8, 1757, in Newington, Conn., and died in Hartford, July 21, 1836. He served in the war of the Revolution in Brigadier-General Erastus Walcott's brigade, Col. Belden's regiment, Capt. Wells' company (see "Conn. Men in War of Rev.", p. 494). He was engaged in Hartford in the manufacture of carriages, owning a large manufactory there. He married Mar. 8, 178-, Prudence Warner of Wethersfield.

Their children were all born at Hartford, as follows:

I. William, b. Aug. 4, 1784, d. Boston, June 26, 1804.

II. John, b. Dec. 1, 1785, d. Royalton, Vt., Dec. 1, 1843. Twice married.

III. Ann Lockwood, b. Nov. 12, 1787, d. Wallingford, Conn., m. 1809, Ira Webster, of West Hartford. 1873

12 IV. George,⁶ b. June 25, 1790, d. Mar. 7, 1785, m. Martha Wadsworth.

V. Asa, b. Nov. 8, 1791, d. Middlebury, Vt., Dec. 16, 1862. Twice married.

VI. Henry, b. Nov. 30, 1793, d. Nov. 30, 1794.

VII. Henry (again), b. Mar. 31, 1796, m. May 2, 1825, Emily Cheney, of Manchester, Conn.

7. Roger⁵ Francis (*Josiah*,⁴ *Thomas*,³ *John*,² *Robert*¹) was born April 29, 1763, and died September 16, 1839. He married, December, 1790, Elizabeth Andrews, who died September 1, 1845.

Children:

- I. Charles, b. Aug. 12, 1792, d. unmarried Oct. 17, 1835.
- II. (Rev.) Amzi, b. July 31, 1794, d. Oct. 18, 1845, m. (1st) May 10, 1824. Eliza Talcott, who d. Aug. 17, 1829; m. (2d) Feb. 15, 1832, Mary S. Hedges, who d. abt. 1896. Children by first wife: I. Roger Andrews, b. May 21, 1826, d. July 11, 1885, m. Isabel Hedges; no children. II. Samuel Talcott, b. July 21, 1829, d. Jan'y 29, 1831. By second wife: III. Mary Amelia, b. and d. 1836. IV. Samuel Talcott (again), b. 1839, d. 1841. V. Henrietta Eliz., b. July 23, m. James Talcott; five children.
- III. Julia Ann, b. June 1, 1809, d. Apr. 17, 1810.
- IV. Chester, b. Feb. 21, 1812, d. Aug. 10, 1893, m. Sept. 4, 1832, Lucy Halsey, who died Feb. 20, 1895. Children: I. Sarah Jane, b. Sept. 3, 1836, d. Aug. 26, 1896. II. Samuel Halsey, b. Dec. 8. 1837, m. Apr. 24, 1861, Martha L. Barber; three children: I. Anna Maria, b. 1864, d. 1888. II. Mary Rose, b. 1867. III. (Rev.) Everett Dwight, b. 1871; two children. III. Roger Newton, b. Nov. 14, 1839, m. June 15. 1869, Emeline A. Chadwick. Resides (1900) at Elmwood, Conn.; no children. IV. Charlotte Augusta, b. Oct. 30, 1841, m. 1866, Hugh G. Montgomery; six children.
8. Anson⁶ Francis (*Justus*,⁵ *Josiah*,⁴ *Thomas*,³ *John*,² *Robert*¹) was born at Newington, Conn., November 4, 1790, and died at Medford, Minn., November 14, 1868. He came, when a young man, in company with his brother Alfred, to Wethersfield Springs, N. Y.,

and cleared a home for himself from the "forest primeval." There he passed the greater part of his life and there his children all were born. His first three sons have all passed away, but his six children by his second wife, two sons and four daughters, are all living and are a happy, united family, and highly respected citizens in the communities in which they live. Their ages range from sixty-three to seventy-six.

Mr. Francis married (1st) Almira Owen and married (2d) in 1822 Betsy Hatfield, born 1800 and died 1839.

Children:

By first wife:

- I. Anson. Lived in Sandusky, Ohio, m. Cordelia Easton; was deputy collector of the port and later express agent between Cincinnati and Pittsburg. Died in Washington State in 1885.
- II. Edwin, m. Chloe Ann Tilton. Lived at Sandusky, Ohio, d. Aug. 5, 1849. Children:
 - I. John Wesley, b. Sandusky, Ohio, Oct. 21, 1845, m. Dec. 24, 1874, at Sandusky, Wis., Dora A. Reeve. He served in the Civil War. Three children: Vinnie R., b. Nov. 23, 1876, Floyd E., b. July 8, 1881, Eva R., b. Jan'y 5, 1890. John Wesley resides (1900) at Gettysburg, S. D.
 - II. Elmira Elizabeth, b. Jan'y 24, 1847.
 - III. Lucy, b. May 31, 1849.
- III. Owen, killed in the Mexican war, a lieutenant, was buried at Matamoras, Mexico, Oct. 19, 1846. Unmarried.

By second wife:

- 13 IV. Cyrus,⁷ b. Apr. 18, 1823.
- 14 V. Isaac,⁷ b. July 8, 1827.
- VI. Betsy O., b. Oct. 18, 1831, m. Apr. 23, 1848, Charles Jones, who was b. Feb. 25, 1825.. Children: I. Clarence O. Jones, b. Mar.

16, 1849. II. Helen Jones, b. Apr. 11, 1851,
d. Sept. 11, 1887. III. Emma Jones, b.
Dec. 23, 1853, d. Feb. 6, 1854.

15 VII. Mary Elizabeth,⁷ b. Dec. 13, 1832, m.
George H. Partridge.

*VIII. Cynthia, b. Aug. 19, 1835, m. 1861, James
Hays. Five children.

IX. Martha A., b. Aug. 16, 1837, m. Oct. 9, 1855,
at Hermitage, N. Y., to Heman B. Johnson,
who was b. Nov. 12, 1831. She has
seven children and eighteen grand chil-
dren.

*Cynthia Francis married (1st) Samuel
Tanner, (2d) James Hays, (3d) — Thornton.

9. Alfred⁶ Francis (*Justus*,⁵ *Josiah*,⁴ *Thomas*,³ *John*,²
*Robert*¹) was born in Newington, Conn., November 2,
1795, and died in Magnolia, Rock Co., Wis., in No-
vember, 1851. In early life he removed, with his
brother Anson, to Wethersfield Springs, N. Y., where
he passed the greater part of his life as a farmer,
adding to this the trade of a blacksmith. His chil-
dren were all born there. He married in 1818 Nancy
Deming, who was born in Wethersfield, Conn., in
1798, and died in 1842.

Children:

- I. Lucy Deming, b. Dec. 28, 1819, d. Feb. 12,
1839.
- II. Louisa Ruth, b. Aug. 22, 1822, m. May 20,
1851, James H. De Remer, of Rock Co.,
Wis.
- III. Franklin Justus, b. Nov. 6, 1825, d. May 27,
1840.
- IV. William Pratt, b. May 18, 1827, m. July 2,
1863, at Summit, Steele Co., Minn., Celia
Fredenberg, who was born in Schoharie Co.,
N. Y., July 29, 1842. Children: I. Anna
Flora, b. Feb. 13, 1866, d. July 1, 1891. II.
May Alberta, b. Nov. 3, 1869, d. Jan. 2,
1893. Mr. William Pratt Francis resides

(1900) at Medford, Minn., where he has been for many years a trusted and valuable member of the community, holding repeatedly the offices of assessor, town clerk, justice of the peace and county commissioner. He has also held commissions as second lieutenant and major in the State Militia.

- V. Nancy Jane, b. Apr. 3, 1829, d. July 21, 1829.
- VI. Alfred Orestes, b. Oct. 6, 1831, d. June, 1889. Married at St. Paul, Minn., to Mary Follett. He spent the last twenty years of his life in St. Paul, where he followed the trade of printer. No children.
- VII. Albert Butler, b. Nov. 25, 1837. Unmarried.
- VIII. Helen May, b. Mar. 28, 1840, m. 1861. George C. Moon. Resides (1900) in Missoula, Mont. Four children.

10. Cyrus⁶ Francis (*Justus*,⁵ *Josiah*,⁴ *Thomas*,³ *John*,² *Robert*¹) was born December 16, 1797, and died at Newington in 1845. His death resulted from an accident, being crushed beneath the wheels of a cart drawn by oxen. He married (1st) Sabra Blinn, who was born 1802 and died 1824. He married (2d) Nancy Dorrance Pratt.

Children:

By first wife:

- I. Blinn, b. Mar 10, 1824, d. Nov. 15, 1895, m. 1848, Lucy Hart. Children: 1. Julia Sabra, b. 1849, m. Henry C. Butler. 2. Laura Hart, b. abt. 1850, d. abt. 1885, unmarried. 3. Jane, b. abt. 1852, d. 1888, m. 1874, Niles C. Beckwith. 4. Henry Newton, b. Nov. 6, 1853, m. Sept. 10, 1878, Emily J. Pettis, of Putnam, Conn. He resides (1900) at Providence, R. I., where he is superintendent of the Narragansett Improvement Co. He has two children, Carl, b. July 10, 1885, and Paul, b. Dec. 28, 1891.

5. John Woodruff, b. 1855. Resides in Southington, Conn.; seven children: Emma, Addie, William, Frederick, Harry, Howard, Charles.

6. George Blinn, b. West Hartford, Jan'y 31, 1857, m. Apr. 1880, Florence Louise Greene: one child, George Blinn, Jr. Mr. George Blinn, Sr., resides (1900) in Providence, R. I., being chief engineer of the Rhode Island Suburban Railway. For twenty years he has been identified with railway engineering and is widely known from the Atlantic to the Pacific coasts in railway circles, standing among the leaders of his profession. "Since 1888 he has been a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, and has written a number of professional papers in addition to delivering public addresses in Boston and other cities on engineering subjects."

7. Hattie L., b. 1865. Resides in West Hartford. 8. Lucy Alberta, b. 1868, m. Henry Atwood. Resides in Southington, Conn.

By second wife:

II. Pratt, b. Sept. 22, 1831, m. Adeline Hurd. Children: 1. Arlan Pratt, b. May 30, 1858, m. June 17, 1886, Kate M. Atwood; one child. 2. Frederick Wilson, b. Oct. 16, 1863. Resides in Brooklyn, N. Y.

III. Rev. Cyrus West, b. June 17, 1838, m. Sept. 24, 1867, Harriet Miner, who d. Apr. 24, 1873, m. (2d) Jan'y 31, 1894, Ida Terry. He graduated in 1863 from Yale College, and 1867 from the New Haven Seminary, and spent 27 years in Atlanta, Ga., as a missionary among the colored people and as a teacher for 20 years in the Atlanta University. He removed in 1894 to Brookfield,

Conn., where he is pastor (1900) of the Congregational Church. Children: 1. Dwight Terry, b. Nov. 18, 1894. 2. Alfred West, b. Mar. 11, 1896.

IV. Nancy Dorrance, b. Dec. 29, 1841, m. 1856, Lucien H. Adams, a missionary in Turkey, where she d. abt. 1890. Four children, three living.

11. Erastus⁶ Francis (*Justus*,⁵ *Josiah*,⁴ *Thomas*,³ *John*,² *Robert*¹). Born at Newington, Nov. 16, 1802, and died there. He married (1st) July 17, 1825, Bertha B. Stoddard, born July 17, 1808, died Mar. 9, 1852. He married (2d) Dec. 30, 1852, Cornelia Stoddard, b. Aug. 27, 1813, and d. Dec., 1877.

Children: *Stoddard*

I. Charles ~~Janes~~, b. Dec. 16, 1825, d. Nov. 20, 1877, m. June 18, 1863, Ellen Boynton. Children: 1. Herbert C., b. July 7, 1865. 2. Thomas A., b. June 6, 1868. 3. Charles S., b. Jan'y 13, 1877. Mr. Charles ~~Janes~~ Francis passed his life in the old home-
stead in Newington, which his father, Eras-
tus, had occupied during his whole life-
time and which was built by his grand-
father, Major Justus, in 1770. His widow
and three sons still reside there (1900).

II. Thomas J., d. Mar. 16, 1850.

III. Laura L., d. Apr. 3, 1839.

IV. James H., d. a y 3, 1839.

V. Flora J., b. Oct. 9, 1842, m. Sept. 15, 1874, Henry Luce. Resides in Newington. One child.

VI. Ellen M., b. May 9, 1845, m. Jan'y 5, 1870, Leonard N. Beecher. Resides in South-
ington, Conn. Two children.

VII. Mary C., b. June 9, 1851, m. Apr. 17, 1879, Frank H. Pierce. Resides in Mt. Carmel, Conn. Three children.

12. George⁶ Francis (*Asa⁵ Josiah⁴ Thomas³ John² Robert¹*) born at Hartford, June 25, 1790, and died there Mar., 1873. He married Nov. 29, 1819, Martha, daughter of Reuben and Elizabeth (Stevens) Wadsworth.

Children, all born at Hartford:

- I. George Wadsworth, b. Sept. 6, 1820, d. Brooklyn, N. Y., May 13, 1877, m. Apr. 24, 1845, Eliz. Bailey.
- II. Martha Emeline, b. Apr. 22, 1822, d. Sept. 14, 1877.
- III. William, b. Jan'y 26, 1824, m. (1st) Sarah E. Deming, m. (2d) Aug. 5, 1857, Mary James Miller. Children by first wife: 1. Alice Lydia. 2. Frederick Wadsworth. 3. William, (d. in infancy). By second wife: 4. Mary. 5. Edward Miller. Mr. William Francis resides (1900) at Hartford.
- IV. Harriet, b. Aug. 19, 1826, d. 1826.
- V. Charles Edward, b. Jan'y 24, 1828. A physician (1900) of New York City and Stamford, Conn., m. Abby Sutherland. Children: 1. Ella, b. N. Y. City, Dec. 13, 1853, m. Nov. 26, 1879, Dr. Charles E. H. Phillips. 2. Clarence Wadsworth, b. Aug. 4, 1856, in N. Y. City, m. Oct. 30, 1879, Mary Lucia Larned, of Syracuse, N. Y. One child, Mary Caroline, b. Sept. 26, 1880. 3. Lillian, b. N. Y. City, Sept. 29, 1868, d. Aug. 10, 1870. 4. Florence, b. N. Y. City, May 26, 1871. Dr. Francis has been a physician of many years' standing, and has achieved much success in his profession. He is interested also in genealogy and has spent many years in a careful search of Francis family history with a view to publishing, some time in the future, an account in detail of the family both past and present.

VI. Frederick Augustus, b. June 3, 1830, m. Lucy Bell, of Portland, Conn.

13. Cyrus⁷ Francis (*Anson*,⁶ *Justus*,⁵ *Josiah*,⁴ *Thomas*,³ *John*,² *Robert*¹), born at Wethersfield Springs, N.Y., April 18, 1823, married Jan'y 1, 1849, at Sandusky, O., Amy Elmira Hatfield. Served in the Mexican war, Resides (1900) at Minot, N. D. A farmer.

I. Elmer H., b. Wis. May 27, 1852, m. Apr. 3, 1875, Lydia I. Robbins, b. Wis. Dec. 10, 1855. Children: 1. Mark E., b. May 19, 1876. 2. Amy E., b. May 28, 1877, m. — Roach. 3. Earl, b. Nov. 20, 1880. 4. Gertrude, b. June 12, 1881, m. — Roane. 5. Ralph, b. Mar. 5, 1883. 6. Harry, b. Aug. 27, 1885. 7. Nellie M., b. Aug. 12, 1889. 8. Frank, b. Nov. 13, 1891. 9. Lucy, b. Oct. 8, 1893.

II. Eva May, m. Herbert Virgin. One child.

III. Mary Alma. Not living.

IV. Hattie Belle, m. (1st) John Young, m. (2d) Orley Barlow. One child,

V. Nellie, m. Wm. Davenport. One child.

VI. Charles Henry.

VII. John. Not living.

14. Isaac⁷ Francis (*Anson*,⁶ *Justus*,⁵ *Josiah*,⁴ *Thomas*,³ *John*,² *Robert*¹), born at Wethersfield Springs, July 8, 1827, married July 5, 1852, Olive Earl Tuthill, who was born July 3, 1830. Mr. Francis has spent the greater part of his life as a farmer, but resides at present (1900) in Minneapolis.

Children:

I. Lura Elsa, b. Apr. 30, 1853, m. Nov. 19, 1882, Norman G. Seeley,

II. Herbert Thomas, b. Dec. 4, 1854, m. Mar. 24, 1878, Margaret Cameron. Children: 1. Lura Belle, b. Mar. 16, 1879. 2. Harry Edwin, b. July 27, 1880. 3. Olive Laura, b. Nov. 12, 1882. 4. Roland Herbert, b. July 22, 1884.

III. Edwin E., b. Mar. 17, 1857, m. Jan'y 17, 1887, Rose Ellingson. Children: 1. Merritt Bronson. 2. Emma Zella. 3. Elora Dakota. 4. Lura Elsie. 5. Olive Gertude. 6. Helen.

IV. Franklin S., b. Feb. 7, 1859, m. Dec. 26, 1883, Mary A. Tay. Children: 1. Ray Cleveland, b Oct. 19, 1884. 2. John Isaac, b. Feb. 5, 1886. 3. Mary Eliz., b. Dec. 26, 1887. 4. Russell Jay, b. Jan'y 31, 1890. 5. Izore, b. Nov. 27, 1891. 6. Samuel Tuthill, b. Feb. 10, 1894. 7. Florence Lillian, b. Jan'y 16, 1896. 8. Emma Zetta, b. Sept., 1897.

V. William C., b. Sept. 2, 1862, m. Nov. 20, 1890, Emma D. Oldham. Children: 1. Ernest Alexander, b. Aug. 29, 1891. 2. Minnie Alberta, b. Dec. 19, 1893. 3. Emma Doris, b. Mar. 8, 1896.

VI. Samuel I., b. Aug. 29, 1865, d. Oct. 11, 1897.

VII. George H., b. Oct. 22, 1869, m. Apr. 3, 1893, Delia C. Weitzel.

15. Mary Elizabeth⁷ Francis (*Anson*,⁶ *Justus*,⁵ *Josiah*,⁴ *Thomas*,³ *John*,² *Robert*¹). Born at Wethersfield Springs, N. Y., December 13, 1832. She married, April 26, 1855, at Janesville, Wis., (where she had been for some years a successful school teacher) George Henry⁷ Partridge (*Harvey*,⁶ *Stephen*,⁵ *James*,⁴ *George*,³ *John*,² *George*,¹ of Duxbury, 1636). Mr. Partridge was a soldier of the Union in the Civil War, and died February 2, 1865, and was buried in the Soldiers' Cemetery, at Louisville, Ky. After his death Mrs. Partridge, with rare courage and perseverance and amid trying circumstances, devoted herself to the education of her children, taking them to the State Normal School at Winona, Minn., where they all graduated, and afterward removing to Minneapolis, where her son, George, graduated in 1879.

from the State University. Mrs. Partridge is a woman of great capability and breadth of mind, and has profited by the leisure of her later life to indulge in an extensive course of reading, which has made her a prominent figure in the literary circles of the city which has been her home for the last twenty-five years. She resides (1900) in Minneapolis.

Their children, all born at Medford, Minn., are:

- I. George Henry,⁸ b. Aug. 21, 1856, m. at Minneapolis, Jan'y 24, 1882, to Sarah Adelaide⁹ Wyman (*Oliver,⁷ Henry⁶, Jonathan,⁵ Samuel,⁴ Samuel,³ Samuel,² Francis¹ Wyman*, of Woburn, Mass., 1640). She was b. Marion, Ia., Oct. 8, 1859. Mr. Partridge is a member of the firm of Wyman, Partridge & Co., Wholesale Dry Goods Merchants, of Minneapolis, and is prominent in the business and social circles of the city. He resides (1900) at Minneapolis, and they have three children: 1. Helen Adelaide, b. Jan'y 14, 1883. 2. Marion Elizabeth, b. Sept. 12, 1885. 3. Charlotte Fairbairn, b. Oct. 2, 1887. All born at Minneapolis, Minn.
- II. Sarah Lillian,⁸ b. Mar. 1, 1858, d. Apr. 6, 1896, at Minneapolis, m. Apr. 6, 1881, to George Odlum. One child, Wurth Odlum, b. Mar. 10, 1884.
- III. Harvey Earl,⁸ b. Dec. 5, 1859, m. at Meriden, Conn., Jan'y 16, 1883, to Mattie Louise Curtiss, b. at Meriden, Oct. 10, 1859. Mr. Partridge is engaged in the wholesale dry goods business with his brother, and resides at St. Anthony Park, Minn. Two children: 1. Earl, b. Mar. 25, 1884. 2. Stanley, b. Nov. 24, 1887.

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The study of the records of this family has proved very interesting and very satisfactory. Throughout the whole line they have been found to be stable, earnest men and women, identified with the best interests of the communities in which they lived, as well in church as in civil affairs, and a study of their lives has shown them to possess the characteristics of charity, benevolence and courtesy in a marked degree. There have been among them clergymen, lawyers, physicians, engineers, merchants, bankers, manufacturers and farmers, and some of them have attained the highest success in their several vocations, while all, so far as have been found, have been in easy circumstances and maintained their families in the usual amount of comfort. If there have been failures they have not come to light.

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